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Dear Sir or Madam,

Community Roads and Pavements Fund

Almost half a million pounds is available again in this year's Community Roads and Pavements Fund to repair streets and footpaths nominated by you, the residents of the borough.

The Council has already set aside £490,000 twice to pay specifically for community nominated improvements. The third round of funding is now open until 13 December for residents to say which roads and pavements they feel are in need of extra work. This is in addition to the regular maintenance work that is carried out by the Council on an ongoing basis.

We do our best to listen to what people tell us, and you said to us that you wanted to see more money being spent to repair the roads and pavements that you use day-in, day-out, so that's what we're doing.

This third round of funding brings us to a total of nearly one and a half million pounds extra spent of the borough's roads, on top of our usual works, tackling what you've told us is one of your most pressing problems.

Look at your local area, talk to your neighbours and put together an application to use some of that money.

In the last round of nominations in early 2013, over 500 people took part and many neighbours joined forces to suggest repairs to their local area. Each village receives £35,000 and local residents choose how this should be spent. It may be allocated to resurface one road in its entirety or split across a number of roads for the repairing of potholes – it's down to residents to nominate where they want to see it used.

Please tell as many people as you can about the Roads and Pavements Fund – it's there for residents to use – and if you know a footpath or road that needs to be repaired, complete the nomination form before 13 December, available at www.richmond.gov.uk/fund or your local library.

Yours truly,



Cllr Chris Harrison
Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport